

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

United States of America

v.

Civil No. 11-cv-00144-JL

James B. Hobbs, et al.

ORDER OF RECUSAL

Because members of the undersigned judge's extended family have retained the Hamblett & Kerrigan law firm for estate planning purposes, I hereby recuse myself from this case. Although I am confident that I would fairly and impartially fulfill the judicial role in this case, I do so to avoid any appearance of impropriety.

SO ORDERED.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Joe Laplante", written over a horizontal line.

Joseph N. Laplante
United States District Judge

Dated: October 28, 2011

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